

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH**  
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Public Services – Registration & Stamps Department – Surprise Check conducted by A.C.B authorities over O/o. Joint Sub Registrar, Registrar Office (O.B), Vizianagaram – Disciplinary Proceedings under Rule 9 of A.P.R.P. Rules, 1980 against Sri P.Visweswara Rao, former Junior Assistant, O/o. Joint Sub Registrar, R.O (O.B), Vizianagaram (now retired) – To recover of an amount of Rs.10,000/- from his gratuity, an amount that is equivalent to stoppage of one increment without cumulative effect – Orders Issued – Request – Reg.

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**REVENUE (VIG.VI) DEPARTMENT**

**G.O.Rt.No.1054.**

**Dated: 13.07.2012.**

Read the following:-

- 1) From the DG, ACB, Hyderabad, Lr.No.29/de-s-vvz/2008, dated: 20.10.2008.
- 2) Govt. Memo.No.54763/Vig.VI (1)/2008-1, dated: 12.12.2008.
- 3) From the District Registrar, Vizianagaram, Procs.No.E1/203/2008, dated: 12.02.2009.
- 4) From Sri P.Visweswara Rao, former Junior Assistant, Written Statement of Defence dated: 07.03.2009.
- 5) From the D.R., Srikakulam & REO, REO's report in Lr.No.220-1/E1/10/2009, dated: 27.11.2010.
- 6) From the D.I.G., R & S, Vizianagaram, Lr.No.E1/10/2009, dated: 08.12.2010.
- 7) From Sri P.Visweswara Rao, former Junior Assistant, final written statement of defence dated: 20.12.2010.
- 8) From the D.I.G., R & S, Vizianagaram, Lr.No.E1/10/2009, dated: 24.08.2011.
- 9) Govt. Memo.No.54763/Vig.VI (1)/2008, dated: 16.01.2012.
- 10) From the D.I.G., R & S, Vizianagaram, Lr.No.E1/10/2009, dated: 17.02.2012.
- 11) Representation received from Sri P.Visweswara Rao, former Junior Assistant, Vizianagaram (now retired), dated: nil.
- 12) Govt. Lr.No.54763/Vig.VI (1)/2008-5, dated: 11.06.2012.
- 13) From Secretary, APPSC, Lr.No.1273/RT/1/2012, dated: 28.06.2012.

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**ORDER:**

Where as, Consequent on the Surprise Check conducted by the Anti Corruption Bureau officials over the O/o. Joint Sub Registrar, Registrar Office (O.B), Vizianagaram, the following charge was framed against Sri P.Visweswara Rao, former Junior Assistant, O/o. Joint Sub Registrar, Registrar Office (O.B), Vizianagaram (now retired) by the then disciplinary authority & the District Register (Assurances), Vizianagaram in the reference 3<sup>rd</sup> read above:

**Charge:**

“That Sri P.Visweswara Rao, former Junior Assistant, O/o. Joint Sub Registrar, Registrar Office (O.B), Vizianagaram is liable for having possession of cash to a tune of Rs.150/- and he was not declared in the personal cash declaration register on 30.05.2008. Therefore, he violated the provisions of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964”.

Thus, by his above mentioned acts, he has exhibited lack of integrity devotion to duty, conduct, unbecoming of a Government Servant and thereby contravened Rule 3(1) & (2) of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964 and Circular instructions issued in Memo.No.X2/10708/94, dated 30.12.1997 of Commissioner and Inspector General.

2. In reply to the above charge, the Charged Officer submitted his Written Statement of Defence vide reference 4<sup>th</sup> read above. After examination of the written Statement of Defence, a regular inquiry was ordered by appointing the District Registrar, Srikakulam as Regular Enquiry Officer to inquire into the charge. Accordingly, the Regular Enquiry Officer has submitted his findings, holding the charges as not proved in the reference reference 5<sup>th</sup> read above.

3. After examining the Regular Enquiry Officer's report and all the material papers on record, the Deputy Inspector General, Registration & Stamps Department, Vizianagaram while disagreeing with the Regular Enquiry Officer's report issued a show cause notice to the Charged Officer calling for the explanation of the Charged Officer in the reference 6<sup>th</sup> read above on the following disagreement factor:-

“That the Charged Officer admitted that he is in possession of cash to a tune of Rs.150/- at the time of surprise check and the same could not be declared in the Personal Cash Register under exigencies of services in the office on 30.05.2008 which resulted as an omission on the part of Charged Officer in contravention of the instructions in Cir.Mo.No.X2/10708/94, dated 30.12.1997 of Commissioner and Inspector General of Registration & Stamps Department. In

view of the explanation offered by the Charged Officer, the Deputy Inspector General has confirmed that the Charge is held proved.”

4. In reply to the above show cause notice issued by the Deputy Inspector General, Registration & Stamps Department, Vizianagaram, the Charged Officer has submitted his final written statement of defence in the reference 7<sup>th</sup> read above as follows:-

“That when the Anti Corruption Bureau officials visited the office on 30.05.2008, he was in possession of Rs.150/-. As soon as he entered the office on that day, the Joint Sub Registrar entrusted him some work to attend immediately. Therefore, he forgot to declare his personal cash in the Personal Cash Register. He has requested to drop further action in the matter.”

5. While the matter stood thus, the Charged Officer has been retired from Govt. service on 30.06.2011 and therefore the Deputy Inspector General, Registration & Stamps Department, Vizianagaram has requested the Government to take further action under Andhra Pradesh Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

6. Government have examined the final written statement of defence of the Charged Officer in detail and observed that the Charged Officer himself has accepted the charge. Therefore, Government have provisionally decided to impose a penalty of stoppage of one annual grade increment without cumulative effect from the gratuity against Sri P.Visweswara Rao, Junior Assistant. In the meanwhile as the Charged Officer was retired from Service on 30.06.2011 he was directed to show cause as to why a penalty of recovery of Rs.10,000/- amount equivalent to a penalty of stoppage of one annual grade increment without cumulative effect should not be imposed and issued show cause notice to the Charged Officer for calling his representation vide reference 9<sup>th</sup> cited and the same served on the Accused Officer by the Deputy Inspector General, Registration & Stamps Department, Vizianagaram which was reported vide reference 10<sup>th</sup> cited. The Accused Officer vide his representation dated 13.02.2012 accepted with the provisional decision of the Government and requested to release his pensionary benefits after withholding Rs.10,000/- from his gratuity as proposed in the reference 9<sup>th</sup> read above.

7. After careful examination of the matter based on the material made available, Government have decided to recover the amount Rs.10,000/- equivalent to a penalty of stoppage of one annual grade increment without cumulative effect from the gratuity against Sri P.Visweswara Rao, Junior Assistant (Retired) under Rule 9 of Andhra Pradesh Revised Pension Rules, 1980, in consultation with Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission.

8. Government therefore order to recover of an amount of Rs.10,000/- from his gratuity, that is equivalent to stoppage of one annual grade increment without cumulative effect against Sri P.Visweswara Rao, Junior Assistant (Retired).

9. The Commissioner and Inspector General, Registration & Stamps Department, A.P., Hyderabad shall take further necessary action accordingly in the matter.

**(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)**

**M.SAHOO**  
**PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

**To**

Sri P.Visweswara Rao, former Junior Assistant,  
O/o. Joint Sub Registrar, R.O (O.B), Vizianagaram (now retired). (through D.I.G., R&S, Vizianagaram)  
The Commissioner and Inspector General,  
Registration & Stamps Department, A.P., Hyderabad.  
The Director General, Anti Corruption Bureau, A.P., Hyderabad.  
The Deputy Inspector General,  
Registration & Stamps Department, Vizianagaram,  
D.No.4-2-51, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, First Lane, Kothaagraharam, Vizianagaram.  
The District Treasury Officer, Vizianagaram.

**Copy to:**

The Secretary, Andhra Pradesh Vigilance Commission, Hyderabad.  
The Secretary, Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission, Hyderabad.  
The Accountant General, A.P., Hyderabad.  
P.S to Principal Secretary to Government (R&S).  
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**SECTION OFFICER**